

SRI C. R. RANGE GOWDA.—Is minimum wages Act applicable to these workers ?

SRI R. M. PATIL.—In certain areas it is made applicable and they are acted upon.

Loans to Municipalities.

* Q.—454. **SRI G. V. GOWDA (Palya).**—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) the names of Municipalities in the State which have taken loan from Government for various purposes ;

(b) the principle and interest outstanding against each such Municipality for more than one year ;

(c) the steps the Government have taken for the recovery of the overdues ?

A.—SRI R. M. PATIL (Minister for Development, Panchayat Raj and Municipal Administration).—

(a) and (b) *Vide* Statement placed on the Table of the House **

(c) Powers under Section 287 (4) and (5) of Mysore Municipalities Act have been delegated to the Divisional Commissioner to ensure that the budget provision is made by the Municipalities for the repayment of the Government dues and under Section 314 of the Mysore Municipalities Act to issue a retrenchment slip to the Custodians of the Municipal Funds to credit the amount standing in the name of Municipality to Government.

SRI G. V. GOWDA.—I wish to know in how many cases the Divisional Commissioners have taken steps under section 287 (4) to recover these amounts ?

SRI R. M. PATIL.—All the officers concerned have been instructed to take action for the recovery of interest and principal which are due.

SRI G. V. GOWDA.—May I know since how many years the interest as well as the instalment amounts due have become over-due ?

SRI R. M. PATIL.—It all depends upon each case ; it is a matter of details. I have placed the entire statistics on the Table of the House.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರೈಡ್ಡಿ.—ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಗಳಿಗೆ ಸಾಲವನ್ನು ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡುವಾಗ ಅವುಗಳಿಗೆ ಅದನ್ನು ವಾಪಸ್ಸು ಕೊಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಶಕ್ತಿ ಇದೆಯೇ ಅಥವಾ ಇಲ್ಲವೇ ಎಂಬುದನ್ನು ನೋಡದೆ ಸಾಲ ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡಿರುವುದು ನಿಜವೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಹಾಗೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು ನಿಜ. They are overdue on account of various difficulties in the administration. After the loans are sanctioned and implemented, these difficulties have come up and therefore they are over-due.

Sri G. V. GOWDA.—Was not that fact, whether they are in a position to repay, gone into?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—That fact has been examined and that is why the loans have been sanctioned. After the loans have been sanctioned, the managements are not successful in managing.

Sri G. V. GOWDA.—Has it come to the notice of the Government that there is outstanding of arrears to the extent of Rs. 75 lakhs in respect of interest and Rs. 2 crores in respect of principal? And, is it not a fact that Government approves every year the budget of those municipalities and if so, why have they not made provision for repayment of the loans?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—That is why section 3 and 4 of the M.M. Act has been provided and action has been taken under the said section.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ ಕಾಡೀಮಠ.—ಸಾಲದ ಮೇಲೆ ಯಾವ ತರಹದ ದರದ ಮೇಲೆ ಬಡ್ಡಿ ಎಂದು ಹಾಕುತ್ತೀರಿ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಆರ್. ಎಂ. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಈಗ ಶೇಕಡಾ ನಾಲ್ಕೂವರೆ ಪರ್ಸೆಂಟೇಜನ್ನು ಎಂದು ಹಾಕುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದರೆ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರಬಹುದು.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Out of this amount due, how many are for specific purpose of development and to what extent is for general purpose?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Major portion of each loan is only meant for developmental activities. In very few cases, so far as remunerative schemes are concerned, they are for general purpose.

Sri K. S. SURYANARAYANA RAO.—Is it not a fact that in many cases, this is not put to proper use?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—If such cases are brought to the notice of Government action will be taken.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಸ್. ಎಂ. ಗುರಡ್ಡಿ.—ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಿಟಿಗಳವರು ಸಾಲ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವಾಗ ರಿಸರ್ವನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರೂ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಮಾಡಲು ಸಾಕಷ್ಟು ತೊಂದರೆಗಳು ಇವೆ. ಅದುದರಿಂದ ಇವರು ಬೇರೆ ಯಾವುದಾದರೂ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ತೆರಿಗೆ ಹಾಕಲು ಏನಾದರೂ ವಿಚಾರ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ ಎನ್ನುವುದನ್ನೂ ಸರಕಾರ ಪರಿಶೀಲನೆ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆಯೇ?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—Sir, in short I have answered that at the time the loans were sanctioned, the municipalities committed to augment their resources. After that body went out, another body comes in and therefore these troubles crop up.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿದ್ದಯ್ಯ ಕಾಡೀಮಠ.—ರೋಡುಗಳನ್ನು ಮಂಜೂರು ಮಾಡಲು ಯಾವ ತರಹ ನಿಯಮಗಳನ್ನು ಹಾಕಿದ್ದೀರಿ?

Sri R. M. PATIL.—According to their own resources so far as financial resources are concerned, they are assessed and the instalment are also adjusted according to the repaying capacity.